THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Our intelligence agencies have unearthed the designs of Pak ISI and have been instrumental in apprehension of a large number of their operatives. Several plans of Pak ISI to create disturbances in the country have been foiled due to timely action by our intelligence agencies.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Functioning of Human Rights Commission

2397. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Human Rights Commission has started functioning with adequate infrastructure;

(b) whether it has examined some complaints regarding the infringement of human rights, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have suggested to the State Governments for setting up similar organisations in various States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commission has taken cognizance of some complaints regarding violation of Human Rights. The Commission has also taken cognizance of some cases *suo moto* on the basis of Press Reports. In some cases, the Commission has directed investigation by appropriate authorities. In other cases, the Commission has called for Report from the State Government concerned.

(c) There are provisions in the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 for setting up of State Human Rights Commission by the State Government in Sections 21 to 29. It is upto the State Government to constitute the State Human Rights Commission.

Bomb Blasts on the Eve of Indo-Pak Secretary level talks

2398. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on the eve of recent Indo-Pakistan Secretary-level talks (commencing January 2, 1994) militants in Kashmir set off a series of bomb blasts which was associated with attempts by Pak troops to infiltrate Pak trained militants across the borders and line of control; and

(b) if so, what steps were taken by Government to deal with the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) In the days preceding the bilateral talks between India and Pakistan, the militants increased their activities in Jammu and Kashmir. Attempts were also made by the Pakistani troops to push in trained militants into our side by resorting to firing, etc. to provide cover, but due to alertness the security forces on the border/LOC have succeeded in foiling a large number of such attempts.

Vigilance and patrolling on the LOC/ border has been intensified and the arrangements in this regard are kept under constant review with the aim of checking infiltration/exfiltration.

Pak Arms in Kashmir Valley

2399. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in the Sunday Times of January 2, 1994, captioned "Pak inducts latest arsenal in valley"; and

(b) if so, what is Government's information and assessment about the nature, origin and extent of the arms and ammunition pumped into the valley by Pakistan and the details of the armhauls seized by

the security forces in the Kashmir valley during the past three months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) As per information available, Pakistan has continued to induct sophisticated weapons and equipments into the State of Jammu & Kashmir to sustain the 'proxy war' launched by it in the State. Apart from A.K. Series rifles, guns, disposable rocket launchers, the weapons include S.V.D. Dragunov sniper rifles with telescopic sights, remote control devices PK machine gun, mortars and explosives like RDX.

The recoveries of arms and ammunitions by the security forces in Kashmir valley from November 1993 to January, 1994 include:

rocket launchers	—23
machine guns	—29
mortars	—3
kalashnikov rifles	—623
pistols	—258
guns	—18
grenades	—724
Bombs	—130
mines	—221
rockets	—75
W/T sets	—53

Ex-parte Decrees against State Government of Jammu and Kashmir

2400. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) in how many cases ex-parte decrees have been passed in the Kashmir Valley against the State Government/State Government public Undertakings, the Jammu and Kashmir Bank by the courts in Jammu and Kashmir other than the High Court;

(b) whether the Kashmir Bar Association has passed a resolution prohibiting the advocates to appear on behalf of the Government in any civil and criminal court in the Valley; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken by the Central Government to set right the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Arrests in Connection with Terrorism Related Plans

2401. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons have been apprehended-arrested/interrogated as suspects accused in terrorism-related plans to cause bomb explosions and indulge in other acts of subversion and violence since 1st August, 1993;

(b) whether it is a fact that one Dr. Jalis Ansari of Bombay has been identified as the Kingpin of a group intending to cause large-scale subversion/terrorism/violence/disturbances in various parts of the country to create panic and instability as a part of the overall plan to weaken India;

(c) what are the detailed particulars of such cases; and

(d) what follow-up action has been taken or is being taken by the Union Government/States Government agencies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Six cases pertaining to bomb blasts in various parts of the country having occurred after 31.7.93 are under investigation by the C.B.I. In these cases a total of 20 accused persons have been arrested.

(b) Investigations so far made have revealed that Dr. M. Jalies Ansari of Bombay, who owes allegiance to an organisation called 'Tanzim Islahul Mussalmeen' had been organising bomb blasts